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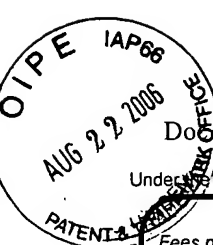
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The undersigned hereby certifies that the cited documents were brought to the Applicant's attention in an Examination Report for a pending European application, which claims priority benefit to U.S. Application No. 10/222,728 (which also claims priority to the parent application 09/562,295 of the subject application), which Office Action was communicated on July 3, 2006, not more than three months ago.

The references cited on the Form PTO/SB/08A may not constitute prior art to the subject matter of the invention claimed in the pending application. The documents therefore are disclosed here in an abundance of caution, in light of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

The Applicant respectfully petitions the Examiner to consider the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. As this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d). A check for the Petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed. However, in the event the Applicant either has underpaid or overpaid the amount due, please adjust our Deposit Account No. 06-2425 accordingly. . A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for bookkeeping purposes.

Respectfully submitted,
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